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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Kenneth Stuart was in Madison Sunday.

Mrs. F. E. Hanscom was in Portland Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Arlene Brown is assisting Mrs. J. B. Chapman this week.

Miss Ruth Leavengood is spending school vacation in Portland.

Gordon Lathrop of Madison spent the week end with his family in town.

Miss Dorothy Hanscom is spending her vacation in Portland and Boston.

George Andrews of Bisheetown is staying with his mother, Mrs. Edith Callihan.

Mrs. J. C. Metcalf of Augusta is visiting her brother, Ernest Walker, this week.

Harold Young is spending the week with his aunt, Mrs. Earle Eldredge, at Hallowell.

Mrs. Everett Marshall has bought the residence of Mrs. Grace Foley at Skillingston.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Como of Auburn were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bailey.

F. O. Robertson, O'Neil Robertson, and D. H. Mason were in Berlin on business Monday.

Mrs. Robert Wormell and C. L. Davis of Portland were guests of Mrs. Annie Young Sunday.

George Parsons has returned to his work for Leslie Davis after being in town for a few days.

Richard Young and friend, John Miller of Houlton, spent the week end at Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young's.

Miss Carrie Wight has resumed her duties as superintendent of Schools after being ill at her home in Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rice and two children of Waterford were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Callihan.

Bethel Grange is having a card party at their Hall Thursday, Mar. 31. This will be the first of a series of four parties.

Frank Hunt and Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Williams went to Bangor Wednesday to attend the Republican Convention.

Stanley Brown was home from Worcester, Mass., the week end. He was accompanied by Alain Jackson of Randolph, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Grover, Mrs. E. P. Brown, Mrs. Charles Gorman, and Mrs. G. E. Brown and son were in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

The T. L. S. Club of the eighth grade are holding a contest for the best class prophecy, ode and will. The contest closes April 15.

The seven point pupils of the seventh grade of the Bethel Grammar School are Priscilla Carver, Harold Conner and Patsy O'Brien.

Edmund Smith, president of Oxford County Farm Bureau, is spending the week in Orono, attending Farm and Home Week at the U. of M.

Farm Bureau representatives to Farm and Home Week at Orono from Middle Intrvale are Mrs. Ethel Ward and Mrs. Beatrice Thompson.

Henry Loomis of Hazardville, Conn., was in town last week, returning Friday accompanied by Miss Katharine Loomis and Mrs. Lena Wight.

The Merry Tollers 4-H Club met at the home of their leader, Mrs. Iola Forbes, Saturday afternoon, March 28. The leader instructed the girls on the preparation of fruit, a number of different ways of serving. Games were played after the meeting.

CELEBRATES 83d BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Ella M. Brown of Newry celebrated her 83d birthday March 26. She had for dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mitchell and Miss Helen Parker. Mrs. Ruth Parsons, granddaughter, and Joyce, great granddaughter, of South Paris, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brinck of Bethel called in honor of the occasion. Many gifts, including a beautiful plant in bloom, money, candy, handkerchiefs, aprons, slips, cards, and a letter from her grandson in New Jersey, made a happy day.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Morgan wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Mae, to Mr. Everett Chase, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Chase. No date has been set for the wedding.

LOCAL P. T. A. SPONSORING COMEDY HERE APRIL 6

The comed, "Broken Dishes," by Norway talent, will be presented at Odeon Hall on Wednesday evening, April 6, under the auspices of the Bethel Parent Teacher Association. Music will be furnished by the Norway Junior Band. The presentation was originally scheduled in February, but was cancelled at that time on account of the outbreak of scarlet fever. In the meantime it has been played before enthusiastic audiences in Norway. Tickets will be on sale at Bosserman's Drug Store next Monday.

MAINE FARM BANKRUPTCIES INCREASE

Bankruptcies among farmers in the United States numbered 2,479 in the 12 months ended June 30, 1937, a decrease of 32% from the preceding year. In New England, however, the number of farmer bankruptcies increased during the period. This increase was due to a much greater number of bankruptcies in Maine—49 in 1936 and 90 in 1937. Other New England states showed a decline in the number of bankruptcies from 59 in 1936 to 49 in 1937.

MAINE CONSERVATION PAYMENTS

The most recent summary of payments under the 1936 agricultural conservation program shows that farmers in Maine counties received the following amounts:

Androscoggin,	\$8,075.02
Arroostook,	191,725.37
Cumberland,	8,323.63
Franklin,	5,179.87
Hancock,	2,066.82
Kennebec,	12,019.23
Knox,	1,907.77
Lincoln,	3,139.08
Oxford,	7,338.81
Penobscot,	38,432.02
Piscataquis,	15,774.38
Sagadahoc,	2,418.36
Somerset,	16,214.26
Waldo,	11,703.14
Washington,	6,538.50
York,	6,354.95

Total payments in Maine, as of September 30, 1937, amounted to \$337,311.21.

Edward Stevens Jr. of Daytona Beach, Fla., is the guest of Stanley Allen at his home here.

The Men's Bridge Club met with Wilbur Myers Tuesday evening. Eugene Van maintained the roll of high scorer. Substitutes were Dr. Tibbetts and Jesse Doyen.

Guests at Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Forbes' Sunday, March 27, were Mr. and Mrs. Elden Garey, Elizabeth and Arlene Garey, of West Sumner, also Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chandler of South Paris. Miss Beatrice Garey remained for a few days visit with her cousin, Beatrice Forbes.

Over 225 dance tickets were sold at the dance for the benefit of the Bethel Band at Newry Corner Wednesday night. Preceding the dance was a baked bean supper served by Bear River Grange, concert by the band, and entertainment by local talent. A tap dance was given by Mary Lou Chapman.

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University Honors Four of Rural Maine



Named outstanding farmers and homemakers by the University of Maine at the annual meeting of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation were these four farm people. Upper left, Mrs. Julia S. Pike, Livermore; upper right, Mrs. Edith L. Knightly, Norway; lower left, Charles L. Barker, East Vassalboro; lower right, Carl R. Smith, Exeter. All are successful farmers or homemakers who have made significant contributions to the welfare of agriculture and home life in their communities.

SAYS PROGRESSIVE FARMER MUST KEEP UP WITH SCIENCE

The successful farmer today must be able to recognize improved methods and apply the findings of science to his farm business, Dean Arthur L. Deering of the College of Agriculture said in his address of welcome to Farm and Home Week guests at the University of Maine.

"Science is never static," Dean Deering said. "It gives us new products; it finds the solution to many of our problems; it checks diseases; and gives us new truths. The man who is abreast of the times and has the good judgment and ability to utilize the discoveries of science is the man we point to as successful."

Among important scientific developments now "at the threshold" of agriculture, Dean Deering mentioned grass silage treated with phosphoric acid, which, he said, increases fertility of the soil and acts as a good preservative for the silage.

In the poultry industry, he said that science had found methods of controlling many serious diseases, and had developed so-called "sex-linked chicks," for which there is currently great demand. Cross breeding offers intriguing possibilities throughout the whole list of crop varieties and livestock breeds, he declared.

Referring to the contrast between home equipment of two generations ago and that of today, Dean Deering declared "there are more possibilities today for health and happiness in our rural homes than ever before."

A new method of drying potatoes, which may then be stored indefinitely, was described as holding great possibilities for the potato industry. Dean Deering said that experiments have shown that vegetables like potatoes may be ground to a pulp, treated with sulphur dioxide, and whirled in a centrifugal machine that removes the liquid in the vegetable. The resulting product crumbles easily, and may be stored.

The progressive farmer, he believes, must not only know about these developments, but must be prepared to make such adjustments in his business as may be necessary for him to remain successful.

BETHEL MUSICIANS CLUB

The Musicians Club held their meeting March 30 at the home of Mrs. Wallace Warren. The composers studied were Humperdink and Stephen Foster. Papers were given by Emma Blake, Marilyn Marshall and Elizabeth Gorman. The next meeting will be held the last Wednesday in April. The composer studied will be Rossini. Every one is to bring something about him. The opera will be Barber of Seville. Elizabeth Gorman will be in charge of the games and Alzona Lord and Marilyn Marshall will play.—Club Reporter, May Marshall

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Ida Packard was given a surprise party in honor of her birthday at her home on High Street by Mrs. Beatrice Foster and Miss Eva Ladd Friday evening. Flinch was enjoyed, with Mrs. Gertrude Boyker winning the first prize and Mrs. Ava Austin the consolation prize. Besides several gifts, Miss Packard was presented with a birthday cake.

Those present besides the honor guest and hostesses were Mrs. Maude Bean, Mrs. Gertrude Boyker, Mrs. Leona Flint, Mrs. Ava Austin, Mrs. Fern Jordan, Mrs. Alice Brooks, Mrs. Marie Davis, Mrs. Beulah Lathrop, Miss Beatrice Brown, and Miss Eugenia Haselton.

NORWAY WOMAN HONORED HOMEMAKER

Mrs. Knightly Active in Church, Grange, Farm Bureau Work

Four kindly farm people were named outstanding farmers and homemakers by the University of Maine Tuesday night at a special ceremony bringing to a close the annual meeting of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation. President Arthur A. Hauck of the University of Maine awarded certificates honoring Mrs. Edith L. Knightly, Norway; and Mrs. Julia S. Pike, Livermore, as outstanding homemakers; while Carl R. Smith, Exeter; and Charles L. Barker, East Vassalboro, were named outstanding farmers.

Forty-nine farmers and homemakers have received this distinction since the farm bureau and university made the first presentations in 1929.

Awards are made to successful farmers and homemakers who have made significant contributions to the welfare of agriculture and home life in their communities.

Mrs. Knightly, mother of seven children, was one of the first 4-H club leaders in Oxford County and has long been a leader in church, grange, and farm bureau. Mrs. Pike, a charter member of Livermore Grange and the Twin County Farm Bureau, was honored for her ability as a homemaker and for service to her community.

Carl R. Smith, chairman of the State Agricultural Conservation Committee, president of the Penobscot County Farm Bureau, and treasurer of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation, has, President Hauck said, "showed qualities of able leadership." Charles L. Barker, breeder of registered Jersey cattle, has built up one of the highest producing herds in Maine, and has always been a progressive farmer and leader in his community.

John T. Gyger, president of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation, presided. E. R. Eastman, agricultural journalist, was the principal speaker of the evening. His subject was "The Plowman." Clarence A. Day, extension editor at the University of Maine, spoke on "Successful Rural Living," and outlined the plan followed in selecting outstanding farmers and homemakers.

The following citation was given Mrs. Knightly by President Hauck: "You are known among your neighbors as a good housekeeper and a successful homemaker. Home has always been so attractive to your children, that they have brought their friends there rather than going elsewhere."

"Not only have you reared your seven children to become useful citizens, but you have found time to assume leadership in the church, grange, and farm bureau in your community. You were one of the first 4-H club leaders in Oxford County and under your guidance and inspiration your club members won many honors."

"You have been active in the grange, serving as lecturer and holding other offices. You were the first chairman of the local farm bureau and have for 19 years been active in its work. You have been active in your church. You have also served as a member of the executive committee of the Oxford County Farm Bureau."

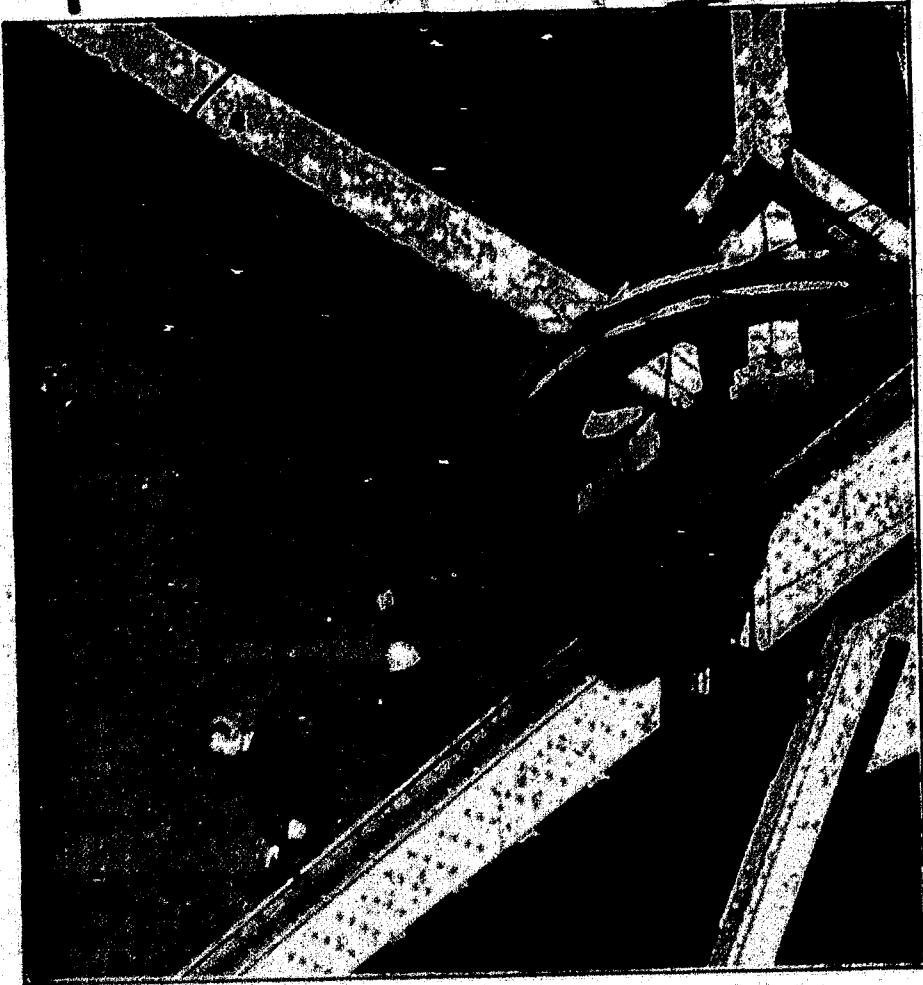
"The University of Maine is pleased to honor you as an outstanding member."

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fossett are spending a few days at Pemaquid, guests of Mr. Fossett's parents.

This is a Good Time to put in SLABS AND EDGINGS. See Classified Ads, Page 8

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

"ANGLE" PICTURES



Tilting the camera up or down gives unusual "angle" pictures.

WHEN you walk down the street of your home town, looking for pictures, what are some of the things you see?

Do you notice a new building going up, and tilt back your head to get a good view of the work? Is there someone digging a pit or excavation, so that you have to lean over and look down to see what's going on?

In such cases, the angle makes the view interesting, doesn't it? Then why not try the same thing with your camera?

I know, of course, there's a rule which says, "Don't tilt the camera." It's a good rule, too, for many pictures. For instance, if you take a picture of your house, and get so close that you have to tilt the camera upward, your picture will show the house as if it were tilted back on its foundations, which isn't the effect you want at all.

But, in a great many pictures, an unusual viewpoint gives added interest. And, for many subjects, the "bird's eye" or "worm's eye" angle is a natural point of view.

For example, suppose you see a painter on a tall ladder doing repair work on a store sign? If you snap him from some distance down the street, the picture won't be especially interesting. But—what if you are almost under the ladder, with the camera pointed straight up at

him? You will get an "angle" picture that catches the eye instantly and if you try snaps from two or three angles, turning the camera so that the lines of the ladder and store sign "lead into" the picture in different ways, you may get several striking arrangements.

Whether it is a "natural" view of an unusual subject, or an unusual view of an ordinary subject, the "angle shot" nearly always has interest value. A small boy curled up in a big armchair with a book is a good picture subject from a normal viewpoint. But why not try a snap of him from a high viewpoint, such as from a box or table or even from the household step ladder? It might give an even better picture.

I saw an interesting "straight-down" snap recently made from a window right over the snapshotter's front door. Two visiting friends were looking straight up at the camera, one could see but little more than their faces, and the walk on which they were standing. Unusual camera angles made the picture unusual. But there really should have been one more picture—a snap of the snapshotter as he leaned out of the window to snap his friends, taken with the camera pointed straight up. That would have given both viewpoints.

Try some "angle shots." They are a fruitful source of camera fun.

John van Gulder

Songo Pond

Ralph Kimball arrived at Arthur Kimball's Sunday. He expects to have a month's vacation from his work.

George Brown of Bethel was a dinner guest at H. N. Grindle's Monday.

A. H. Kimball and sons, Floyd and Leonard, were in Portland Monday on business.

Leslie Kimball has over 650 trees tapped this year. Camera men and reporters have visited the orchard recently.

Don Lewis was a caller at H. N. Grindle's Monday evening.

The Albany Town House school started Monday the 28th, with A. H. Kimball transferring the scholars from this end of town.

Grover Hill

Very bad traveling on country roads!

Howard Bailey worked for N. A. Stearns the first of the week getting out cord wood.

The W. P. A. workers in this neighborhood are having a vacation until April 4th.

Malcolm Mandt was at home recently from Westbrook.

Winfield Whitman has traded his roadster for a Ford coach.

Clyde Whitman and family recently visited relatives in Dolister's Mills.

Mrs. Burton Abbott visited Mrs. Edwin Merrill and infant daughter on Songo Street one afternoon last week.

East Stoneham

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrill, who have been staying with Ingalls McAllister during the winter, have moved back to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brown are going to move into the rent vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrill.

Laurence Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Allen, fell from a pile of boards while playing in the mill yard and broke his arm.

The three children of Mr. and Mrs. George Allen are sick with the prevailing epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McAllister and daughter Edith of Bangor were callers at Mrs. Blanche McKeen's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan of callers at Mrs. Blanche McKeen's. Norway were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stearns Sunday. They went from here to Lewiston, where Mr. Jordan entered the C. M. G. Hospital for an operation for appendicitis.

Rodney Grover, who attends Becker College at Worcester, was home over the week end.

The Willing Workers Girls Club and their leader, Mrs. Mildred Bartlett, were guests of Mrs. Edna Allen Saturday afternoon.

After three weeks vacation the schools of Stoneham have opened again.

South Woodstock

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stevens of Portland spent Saturday at Frank Andrews.

Eva Dean of Norway visited at the home of Ralph Dean on Sunday.

The Willing Workers were most pleasantly entertained by Mrs. Jessie Andrews on Wednesday.

March 23, A bountiful dinner was served at noon consisting of steamed clams, fish chowder, pickles, peas, cakes, cookies and coffee. Two quilts were tied for the hostess. At the regular business meeting plans were made for the last beano party for this season which will be held at Union School house Saturday evening, April 9th. There will be a door prize and special prizes. The next regular meeting of the Circle will be April 13, when they will be entertained at an all day meeting by Mrs. Wilma Hendrickson.

Friends of Mrs. Doris Coffin will be glad to learn that she is making a good recovery at the Rumford Community Hospital after an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Dorothy Brooks, Flossie and Georgina Buck of West Paris were at Gayden Davis' on Sunday.

A. M. Andrews is having water piped from his well into his kitchen and summer kitchen. The work is being done by Alton Bacon's men.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Davis were Miss Gloria Smith of Oxford and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Green and son Basil of Bryant Pond.

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Clover Sliced		10 Qt. Galvanized	
BACON	lb. 29c	PAILS	each 29c
SUN-GLO		BRILLO	pkg. 9c
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AMMONIA	qt. bot. 15c		
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CLOTHES LINES	25c		
HINNO	lge. pkg. 29c	Crown Brand BROOMS,	59c

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OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH

Calendar for the Week

Two helpful Lenten services were held in the Parish last week. Rev. L. Clark French of Oxford was at East Stoneham Thursday evening, and Rev. Rensel Colby was the speaker at Center Lovell Friday evening. On Tuesday evening of this week Rev. James Kirkpatrick of South Paris spoke at North Waterford.

Three Fellowship Suppers are just ahead. The East Stoneham Church Fellowship will gather this week Thursday at 6.00 in the Vestry for supper and for a discussion of Church affairs following. Next Monday evening the Waterford Federated Church members will gather at the Wilkins House, Waterford; and on Tuesday evening the Center Lovell Fellowship will meet in their Vestry.

Then next week, also you will the Center Lovell Circles will be and that the East Stoneham and ready to spread some very good things to eat before you on Thursday and Friday evenings. East Stoneham, Thursday evening; and Center Lovell, Friday.

Sunday morning proved to be a rather disagreeable morning to travel abroad, but the congregations in most of the Churches were close to the average or a little above. The colored calendars for last Sunday went to Center Lovell; and who, do you suppose, has them next Sunday? We must commend again the Center Lovell Junior Choir for their almost perfect attendance.

North Newry Farm Bureau

The Farm Bureau was held March 16th at the home of Mrs. Fred Wight. Miss Callaghan was present and talked about Refinishing and Repairing in the home. Mrs. John Vail was hostess serving a Lenten dinner of Baked fish with stuffing, cranberry jelly, Raisin and Apple salad with Lettuce Potatoes, Turnip, Apple Pie, Light and Dark bread and coffee.

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CITY OF NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$5,261,683.22
Cash in Office and Bank	509,529.38
Agents' Balances	115,257.49
Bills Receivable	1,643.75
Interest and Rents	25,888.00
Gross Assets	\$5,914,001.84
Deduct items not admitted	429,732.23
Admitted	\$5,484,269.61
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$518,505.00
Unearned Premiums	2,526,605.00
All other Liabilities	50,000.00
Cash Capital	1,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	889,159.61
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$5,484,269.61

COMMERCIAL CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$260,757.77
Mortgage Loans	3,047,193.46
Stocks and Bonds	3,906,462.32
Cash in Office and Bank	331,048.42
Agents' Balances	960,935.74
Bills Receivable	116,052.46
Interest and Rents	69,194.10
All other Assets	\$7,369.56
Gross Assets	\$8,779,013.33
Deduct items not admitted	644,913.38
Admitted	\$8,134,100.45
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$3,424,939.54
Unearned Premiums	2,495,046.86
All other Liabilities	434,650.50
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	779,463.55
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$8,134,100.45
Clarence L. Emery, Dixfield	
Lester A. Braden, Mexico	
Mexico Insurance Agency, Rumford & Mexico Insurance Agency, Rumford	

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$93,856,200.11
Cash in Office and Bank	12,985,065.06
Agents' Balances	6,183,929.72
Bills Receivable	28,010.52
Interest and Rents	236,137.00
All other Assets	2,886,776.52
Gross Assets	\$116,176,118.93
Deduct items not admitted	1,126,381.21
Admitted	\$115,049,737.72
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$7,146,724.00
Unearned Premiums	51,585,447.00
All other Liabilities	2,660,026.00
Cash Capital	15,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	38,657,540.72
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$115,049,737.72

MASSACHUSETTS ACCIDENT COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$7,900.00
Stocks and Bonds	2,333,683.89
Cash in Office and Bank	114,881.90
Agents' Balances	28,165.72
Bills Receivable	4,079.06
Interest and Rents	21,326.22
All other Assets	11,700.00
Gross Assets	\$2,521,736.79
Deduct items not admitted	540,187.31
Admitted	\$1,981,549.48
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$834,325.63
Unearned Premiums	278,137.45
All other Liabilities	618,382.87
Cash Capital	125,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	125,703.53
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$1,981,549.48

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$5,131,206.67
Mortgage Loans	963,250.43
Stocks and Bonds	23,606,162.82
Cash in Office and Bank	557,204.67
Agents' Balances	1,616,605.56
Bills Receivable	61,851.79
Interest and Rents	125,439.01
All other Assets	193,416.68
Gross Assets	\$32,260,137.63
Deduct items not admitted	265,560.23
Admitted	\$31,994,577.40
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,593,314.78
Unearned Premiums	12,995,262.18
All other Liabilities	775,691.73
Cash Capital	9,397,690.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	7,232,618.76
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$31,994,577.40
Lester A. Braden, Mexico	
Mexico Insurance Agency, Rumford & Mexico Insurance Agency, Rumford	
Waldo Insurance Agency, Rumford	

THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$197,175.39
Mortgage Loans	112,831.60
Stocks and Bonds	3,296,046.96
Cash in Office and Bank	278,075.71
Agents' Balances	199,473.87
Interest and Rents	14,382.51
All other Assets	13,333.79
Gross Assets	\$4,111,319.83
Deduct items not admitted	368,146.80
Admitted	\$3,743,173.03
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$116,492.00
Unearned Premiums	946,721.07
All other Liabilities	129,454.65
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,550,505.31
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$3,743,173.03

UNITED STATES BRANCH GENERAL ACCIDENT FIRE & LIFE ASSURANCE CORPORATION, Ltd., Perth Scotland

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$1,034,441.69
Mortgage Loans	127,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	11,108.72
Cash in Office and Bank	29,274,978.32
Agents' and Sundry Balances	2,907,327.86
Interest and Rents	3,923,785.03
Gross Assets	\$37,466,159.20
Deduct items not admitted	3,358,240.12
Admitted	\$34,107,919.08
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$10,728,115.00
Unearned Premiums	\$8,848,154.94
All other Liabilities	\$6,788,668.80
Cash Capital	550,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	10,302,980.54
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$34,107,919.08

GREAT AMERICAN INDEMNITY COMPANY, New York City, N. Y.

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$12,519,511.72
Cash in Office and Bank	1,209,396.95
Agents' Balances	1,997,034.21
Bills Receivable	3,536.51
Interest and Rents	76,200.00
All other Assets	412,892.32
Gross Assets	\$16,218,571.71
Deduct items not admitted	1,287,793.59
Admitted	\$14,930,778.12
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$6,412,074.15
Unearned Premiums	3,994,343.05
All other Liabilities	722,347.83
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,802,013.09
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$14,930,778.12

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$367,077.64
Mortgage Loans	602,472.64
Stocks and Bonds	13,449.09
Cash in Office and Bank	21,360,695.15
Agents' Balances	1,165,341.65
Interest and Rents	58,609.97
All other Assets	273,856.01
Gross Assets	\$24,998,962.64
Deduct items not admitted	4,024,235.84
Admitted	\$20,974,726.80
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,545,420.00
Unearned Premiums	9,317,827.05
All other Liabilities	689,278.60
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	7,422,201.15
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$20,974,726.80

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$49,596,513.27
Mortgage Loans	858,217,020.91
Stocks and Bonds	320,717,358.93
Cash in Office and Bank	2,004,537,565.75
Agents' Balances	100,438,974.07
Interest and Rents	882.32
All other Assets	46,775,977.53
Gross Assets	\$78,594,061.30
Deduct items not admitted	\$3,653,878,354.08
Admitted	74,543,652.19
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$3,584,334,701.89
Unearned Premiums	\$27,957,906.42
All other Liabilities	\$21,121,990.50
Cash Capital	\$3,456,333,018.73
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$76,921,786.24
\$1,970,762.00 par value or 98.54 per centum of capital stock of the Company purchased pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 99 of the Laws of New Jersey for the year 1913, and is now held by Vivian M. Lewis and Arthur J. Smoot, trustees for the policyholders of the Company.	

THE TRAVELERS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$21,183,531.25
Cash in Office and Bank	1,922,664.10
Agents' Balances	1,670,254.10
Interest and Rents	124,927.84
All other Assets	31,300.99
Gross Assets	\$24,932,675.48
Deduct items not admitted	376,570.58
Admitted	\$24,556,104.90
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,103,876.00
Unearned Premiums	\$12,905,421.67
All other Liabilities	\$3,032,503.90
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	5,514,303.33
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$24,556,104.90
*Includes \$2,309,362.81 Special Reserve.	

MILL OWNERS MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. OF IOWA

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$839,405.67
Mortgage Loans	113,644.96
Stocks and Bonds	1,315,484.31
Cash in Office and Bank	169,588.35
Agents' Balances	222,762.81
Interest and Rents	39,263.68
All other Assets	1,253.66
Gross Assets	\$2,701,403.44
Deduct items not admitted	7,617.30
Admitted	\$2,693,786.14
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$96,444.76
Unearned Premiums	\$1,407,062.62
All other Liabilities	\$6,639.06
Cash Capital	None—Mutual
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,120,639.70
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$2,693,786.14

NATIONAL LIBERTY INSURANCE CO. OF AMERICA

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$25,000.00
Mortgage Loans	25,100.00
Stocks and Bonds	19,293,663.33
Cash in Office and Bank	1,187,452.14
Agents' Balances	910,268.14
Bills Receivable	1,220.76
Interest and Rents	68,650.00
All other Assets	104,765.13
Gross Assets	\$21,616,020.00
Deduct items not admitted	2,363,056.07
Admitted	\$19,252,963.93
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$338,393.48
Unearned Premiums	\$6,687,915.00
All other Liabilities	\$65,000.00
Cash Capital	4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	7,061,655.45
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$19,252,963.93

NORTH AMERICAN ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$21,200.00
Mortgage Loans	507,488.53
Stocks and Bonds	3,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	2,202,717.65
Agents' Balances	41,295.67
Interest and Rents	43,788.11
All other Assets	161,223.23
Gross Assets	\$3,194,099.45
Deduct items not admitted	204,350.36
Admitted	\$2,989,749.09
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$459,944.65
Unearned Premiums	\$1,212,024.22
All other Liabilities (Inc. contingency reserve of \$300,000.00)	511,420.77
Cash Capital	400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	406,359.45
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$2,989,749.09
On the basis of December 31, 1937 market quotations for all bonds and stocks owned this Company's total admitted assets would be increased to \$3,012,259.09.	

SUPERIOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Mortgage Loans	\$916,367.92
Stocks and Bonds	1,584,756.35
Cash in Office and Bank	161,974.73
Agents' Balances	152,404.21
Bills Receivable	5,133.91
Interest and Rents	68,138.72
All other Assets	4,103.31
Gross Assets	\$2,892,879.15
Deduct items not admitted	104,696.97
Admitted	\$2,788,182.18
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$138,952.32
Unearned Premiums	\$1,312,147.54
All other Liabilities	\$9,904.43
Cash Capital	750,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	497,197.89
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$2,788,182.18
Rumford & Mexico Insurance Agency, Rumford	
Waldo Insurance Agency, Rumford	

THE FRANKLIN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$19,840,849.38
Cash in Office and Bank	630,577.59
Agents' Balances	215,357.17
Interest and Rents	70,851.00
Gross Assets	\$20,757,635.14
Deduct items not admitted	1,542,742.83
Admitted	\$19,214,892.31
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,408,149.00
Unearned Premiums	\$7,676,380.00
All other Liabilities	\$250,000.00
Cash Capital	\$3,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	6,880,363.31
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$19,214,892.31

CRAFTSMAN INSURANCE CO.

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$160,244.80
Cash in Office and Bank	56,541.37
Agents' Balances	296.37
Interest and Rents	965.01
All other Assets	\$3,979.65
Gross Assets	\$222,027.20
Deduct items not admitted	1,096.19
Admitted	\$220,931.01
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$20,000.00
Unearned Premiums	\$46,203.12
All other Liabilities	\$8,282.25
Cash Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$46,445.64
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$220,931.01

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$60,883,855.50
Mortgage Loans	\$7,644,496.39
Cash in Office and Bank	\$2,336,349.32
Stocks and Bonds	\$29,461,009.24
Secured Agents' Balances	\$1,299.67
Interest and Rents	\$7,720,993.20
Gross Assets, Casualty Dept.	\$117,125,321.42
All other Assets	\$141,558,240.27
Gross Assets	\$922,681,565.01
Deduct items not admitted	\$8,217,617.08
Admitted	\$914,463,947.93
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$243,743.02
Unearned Premiums	\$3,724,260.57
Liabilities—Casualty Dept.	\$77,117,333.59
All other Liabilities	\$785,320,794.36
Cash Capital	\$20,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$28,057,816.39
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$914,463,947.93

STUART W. GOODWIN

General Insurance

NORWAY, MAINE

BERKSHIRE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$55,000.00
Mortgage Loans	\$19,970.00
Stocks and Bonds	\$18,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	\$701,490.66
Agents' Balances	\$191,116.88
Interest and Rents	\$9,504.46
All other Assets	\$6,047.99
Gross Assets	\$1,090,156.35
Deduct items not admitted	74,031.00
Admitted	\$1,016,125.35
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$40,031.77
Unearned Premiums	\$654,763.28
All other Liabilities	\$21,084.30
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$300,246.00
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$1,016,125.35

United States Branch COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Real Estate	\$1,584,900.00
Stocks and Bonds	\$8,052,913.54
Cash in Office and Bank	\$2,663,024.21
Agents' Balances	\$954,782.10
Bills Receivable	\$16,718.63
Interest and Rents	\$58,933.00
All other Assets	\$31,676.73
Gross Assets	\$13,362,908.21
Deduct items not admitted	886,343.32
Admitted	\$12,476,064.89
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$780,954.77
Unearned Premiums	\$5,053,851.61
All other Liabilities	\$581,189.69
Statutory Deposit	\$400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$5,660,068.92
Total Liabilities and g15 Surplus	\$12,476,064.89

THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY

Assets DEC. 31, 1937	
Stocks and Bonds	\$24,558,325.87
Cash in Office and Bank	\$465,683.02
Agents' Balances	\$1,870,772.20
Interest and Rents	\$9,724.42
Gross Assets	\$26,984,505.51
Deduct items not admitted	

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THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1938

BETHEL NEEDS
More and Better Sidewalks—winter
and summer
Night Watchman—All the Year
Enforced Traffic Rules

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

**Happenings That Affect the Dinner
Falls, Dividend Checks and Tax
Bills of Every Individual. National
and International Problems
Inseparable from Local Welfare**

The current Congress, which has
set a new high in unproductiveness,
is at last getting around to serious
business. It faces a congested cal-
endar, plus the prospect of some of
the most acrimonious debate in
years. Every major measure now
in prospect has enthusiastic partisans
and inflexible opponents who
are prepared and eager for the most
rough-and-ready parliamentary bat-
tles.

Prime piece of legislation now
in the limelight is the House tax
bill, known as the Revenue Act of
1938. In the form approved by the
House, this measure retains the
much-debated undistributed profits
tax in a mitigated form, and creates
a new tax, called the "third basket"
levy, aimed at closely held enter-
prises. There is strong sentiment
in the Senate for absolute repeal of
the undistributed profits tax, and
practically no sentiment, so far as
anyone can see now, in favor of a
"third basket" tax. This illustrates
two of the points of the bill which
may be drastically overhauled by
the Senate. Furthermore, the
House tax bill is largely predicated
on two assumptions: (1) That the
1938 deficit will be under \$1,000-
000,000, and (2) that there will be
no loss in revenues. Those seemed
sound assumptions a while back—
but not today. The staggering drop
in business has apparently made it
certain that the deficit will be far
in excess of \$1,000,000,000, and also
certain that Treasury revenues will
be gravely under the estimates
made even a short time ago.

Business Week forecasts that the
Senate will get through its revision
of the bill along in April. The pro-
posal will go into a House-Senate
conference, and what will happen
there in the laps of the gods.

About two weeks ago another bill
was introduced in Congress which,
while it has not made headlines
yet, is of very great importance.
This is the anti-bank-holding com-
pany measure, which the president
mentioned in a press conference in
January. Oddly enough, the author
of the bill is a senator who has of-
ten been one of the Administrations
most telling critics—Carter Glass.
Senator Glass, a leader of the con-
servative wing of the Democratic
party has long been opposed to
holding companies in the banking
field. And in this field his opinions
carry great weight in Congress. In-
asmuch as he was Secretary of the
Treasury under Wilson, and father
of the Federal Reserve System.

Five major provisions constitute
the Glass bill. As summed up by
Mewawick, they would: (1) Pro-
hibit the formation of any more
bank holding companies; (2) forbid
existing bank holding companies from
acquiring control of more
banks; (3) restrain banks control-
opening new branches, making
loans to affiliates, or purchasing
securities from affiliates; (4) sub-

ject bank holding companies and
their subsidiaries to periodic in-
vestigation by the Federal Deposit In-
surance Corporation, with which
they would also have to file re-
ports; 5) authorize the FDIC to re-
voke government insurance on any
bank violating any provision of the
act.

Senator Glass states that about
50 holding companies now control
500 banks possessing more than
one-seventh of all the bank assets
of the nation, believes that his bill
is essential if banking is not to be
concentrated in a few tremendously
powerful hands. Chances of the
bill's passage seem fairly good,
though it may be toned down in
some particulars. Many congres-
sional conservatives who oppose de-
struction of utility holding com-
panies, for instance, because in this
industry the holding company sys-
tem has made definite contributions
to efficiency and economy of opera-
tion, can see no good reason for a
bank holding company. On the other
hand, it is argued that bank hold-
ing companies have at times pre-
vented bank failures by absorb-
ing into their big systems, weak
individual banks.

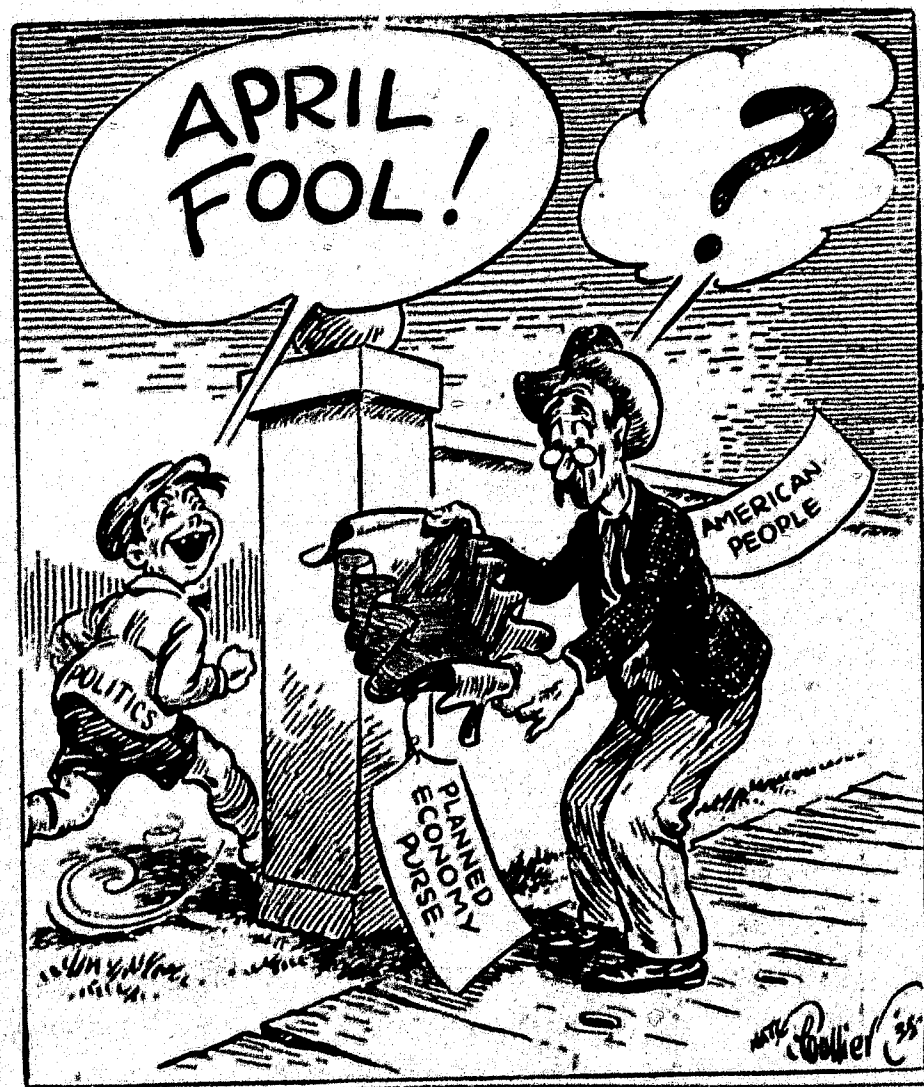
The European situation has
grown more tangled than ever.
This column could be extended to
ten times its length without pro-
viding space for adequately ex-
plaining the plots and counter-plots
underlying the recent acts of the
great powers.

Hitler's armed conquest of Aus-
tria, and the rout of the Schus-
ching government, has created new
panic. Furthermore, it has strain-
ed previously cordial German-Ital-
ian relations. Mussolini, for all of
his saber rattling, is really trying to
stave off war, knowing his country's
resources are inadequate. He pre-
fers bluff to action. Hitler seems
bent on going ahead, come what
may, and that has Italy worried.

Most important of all, Hitler's
move into Austria has put England
on the spot. The Chamberlain gov-
ernment can hardly go ahead with
its plans for a rapprochement with
Germany without openly counten-
ancing ruthless aggression. And
no one believes the English people
would stand for that.

Everyone feels that Hitler is now
looking toward conquest of Czech-
oslovakia. If he tries that, armed
conflict seems certain. Russia has
mobilized troops at her frontier to
throw to the aid of the Czechs in
case Germany makes the expected
move. And France is preparing for
trouble.

Seven Regarded Magical Number
Seven was regarded both a
sacred and magical number by
many ancient peoples. One belief
was that the seventh son of a
seventh son always possessed the
power to cure diseases by the lay-
ing on of hands, and could foretell
the future. In both the Old and
New Testaments the number fre-
quently occurs as having special
significance.



HEADLINE DIGEST WORLD NEWS

WORLD NEWS

Portraits of Col. and Mrs. Charles
Lindbergh were painted by Robert
Brackman, New York, during their
recent visit to this country. It is
possible these portraits may be ex-
hibited in a private exhibition by
Mr. Brackman at some future time.

U. S. Liner President Roosevelt
sails from New York with largest
war supplies cargo of non-explos-
ives and no ammunition exported in
years. The shipment includes army
trucks, ambulances, and fast trac-
tors.

Col. Edward M. House, wartime
advisor to President Wilson, died
March 28 at the age of 79.

Upon completion of Quabbin re-
servoir which will supply Metropoli-
tan Boston, five towns, Danvers, Pres-
cott, New Salem, Greenway and En-
field will be submerged, thus going
out of existence.

Mussolini tells the world the
fascists are ready to meet any at-
tack on "Italy" or her interests.

Over 10,000 youngsters will attend
the Music Educators' National Con-
ference in St. Louis this week.

Thomas J. Mooney, 22 years a
prisoner in San Quentin, goes back
to his cell, defeated again in a bat-
tle for his freedom.

The Bureau of Fisheries and the
Coast Guard still watch the fishing
activities off Alaska although dis-
putes between Japan and U. S. over
name in affably settled for the time
being.

MAINE
Davis Spencer, a junior in Cen-
tral High School, New Portland,
becomes grange master at 16 years
of age.

The Department of Agriculture
reports the abnormally warm weath-
er has slowed the flow of maple
sap so far this season.

Maine Republicans, 2,000 strong,
meet in Bangor today to adopt plat-
form, elect committees and organ-
ize in general for the coming elec-
tion campaign.

Byron Dow of Portland suffers
a broken hip in skiing accident on
Sherburne trail, Pinkham Notch.

Mitchell spool mill at Brower
burns with a loss of \$15,000—49
men out of work, \$10,000 worth of
lumber saved.

Louis J. Brann, aiming for the
Governor's chair, again predicts
the greatest Democratic victory in
Maine history.

Penobscot River reported free of
ice to Bangor. Vessels have started
arriving there.

Social Security Board in Wash-
ington announced a grant of \$51-
471.53 for assistance to Maine chil-
dren.

The average value of the Maine
potato crop amounts to well over
one third of the farm value of all
agricultural commodities produced
in the state.

Crossbow, Medieval Arm, Death to Man or Beast

Used not only as a military weap-
on but also as the sporting arm of
the hunter of the Middle Ages, the
powerful crossbow, or arbalest, has
a romantic and interesting history,
notes Bob Becker in the Chicago
Tribune. It is believed to have been
introduced into England as a mili-
tary and sporting arm by the Nor-
man invaders in 1066, and it is
known to have been popular in con-
tinental European countries even
before that time, having been used
for hunting stags, wild boars, hares,
and other game. As a soldier's
weapon it was branded as "hateful
to God and unfit for Christians."

But sportsmen of the Middle Ages
became so fond of their crossbows
that they continued to use them for
more than 50 years after the intro-
duction of the handgun. Crossbows
date back to the Fourth century.
Manuscripts of the Tenth century
mention the weapon.

The main parts of the crossbow
are the arbrier (or stock) and the
short, powerful bow mounted on the
stock at right angles. At the bow
end is a "stirrup" or loop of iron.
The bowstring, when at tension, is
released by a trigger. For its dis-
charge the weapon is held up to the
shoulder.

The force of the released bow-
string propels a short arrow known
as a bolt (or quarrel), a stone, clay
ball, or other missile with terrific
force. The earliest types of cross-
bows were crude affairs with wood-
en bows. These were liable to warp
or break. So crossbowmen devised
the composite bow made by combin-
ing horn and whalebone, or yew
and animal tendons. It is thought
that the first composite bows, those
made by the Saracens, were
brought to Europe during the
Twelfth century.

A LITTLE DIFFERENT

Banana peels are used by a Brit-
ish mill to make a soft, light yarn.

Crookhaven is the name of a vil-
lage on the southern coast of Ire-
land.

A shop in the center of Glasgow,
Scotland, is rented at two cents a
week.

Mare's milk is used extensively
in Russia to manufacture alcoholic
drinks.

Prisoners are moved by trailer in
the Texas prison system's "travel-
ing jail."

Little America, world's southern-
most "town," is floating on a sheet
of ice 250 feet thick.

Cincinnati has two winter street
cleaning groups, one for light, the
other for heavy, snows.

Nearly 200 persons pulled the
communication cord and stopped
trains in Britain last year.

England has learned that one may
pass free through a toll gate when
going to church or to vote.

Japan had to supply shoes nearly
12½ inches long for Yoshio Ikeda,
a soldier on duty near Shanghai.

Mrs. Emma Brown Whitman

Funeral services for Mrs. Emma
Brown Whitman were held at I. W.
Andrews and Sons Funeral Home
on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock,
services for the husband George S.
Whitman having been held only two
weeks ago from the same day. At
both services words of comfort were
by Rev. Eleanor D. Forbes of West
Paris, bearers were, Frank Davis,
Albert Felt, Dana O. Dudley and
Oscar Twichell. Beautiful floral
tributes spoke the silent messages
of love and esteem.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK

Grade	Week of March 28	Sav. Bank Total	%
Primary School			
I	\$2.00	\$2.60	57
II	2.00	2.40	79
III	1.00	2.05	55
IV	1.00	1.90	48
	\$6.00	\$8.95	
Grammar School			
V		\$1.05	47.53
VI	\$4.00	2.25	46.88
VII	1.00	1.05	25.51
VIII	1.00	1.85	42.48
	\$6.00	\$6.20	

Second and Fifth Grades have
banners.

THE LOW DOWN —from— HICKORY GROVE

A feller says to me the oth-
er day, Jo, he says, you get around
some and are not entirely blind—
what do you think of the women
and the hats they are wearing

And I says,
brother, you have
come to the right
place. But I have
nothing against
the women, I says
but the hats, we
can gas about
them.

And you some-
times see farmers
put hats on their
horses—but you cannot blame the
horse for his sky-piece.

And with women's hats, they are
in the same boat, and I am on the
women's side—I am for the women,
versus some hatter cooking up a
joke on them.

But women who venture out
much in these ney chapeaus, or go
to the country, they maybe should
keep a little look-out for nimrods—
and especially, during the open
season.

But for favoring the ladies and
sidin' with 'em, and taking their
part—that is me all over.

Yours, with the low down,
JO SERRA

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either
of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris
in and for the County of Oxford, on
the third Tuesday of March, in
the year of our Lord one thousand
nine hundred and thirty-eight, from
day to day from the third Tuesday
of said March. The following
matters having been presented for
the action thereupon hereinafter
indicated; it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all
persons interested, by causing a
copy of this order to be published
three weeks successively in the Ox-
ford County Citizen a newspaper
published at Bethel, in said County,
that they may appear at a Probate
Court to be held at said Paris, on
the third Tuesday of April, to wit:
on April 20, A. D. 1938, at 10 of
the clock in the forenoon, and be
heard thereon if they see cause.

Frances K. Bean, late of Bethel,
deceased; First account presented
for allowance by Fred B. Merrill,
executor.

Anna B. French, late of Bethel,
deceased; Will and petition for
probate thereof and the appoint-
ment of Alice French Smith as ex-
ecutrix of the same, to act without
bond as expressed in said Will,
presented by Alice French Smith,
the executrix therein named.

Helen L. Powers, late of Dixfield,
deceased; First trust account pre-
sented for allowance by Ellery C.
Park, Trustee.

Maude O. Vashaw, late of Beth-
el, deceased; Will and petition for
probate thereof and the appoint-
ment of Thomas W. Vashaw as ex-
ecutor of the same to act without
bond as expressed in said Will,
presented by Thomas W. Vashaw,
the executor therein named.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge
of said Court at Paris, this 15th
day of March in the year of our
Lord one thousand nine hundred
and thirty-eight.

15 EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register.

PROBATE APPOINTMENTS

The following subscribers hereby
give notice that they have received
the appointments as indicated from
the Probate Court of Oxford Coun-
ty. All persons having demands
against the estates represented by
them are desired to present the
same for settlement and all in-
debted thereto are requested to
make payment immediately:—

Mary G. Chapman, late of Bethel,
deceased; Gilman Chapman and
Iva K. Chapman of Berlin, New
Hampshire, executors without bond.

El. C. Park of Bethel, Agent in
Maine, March 15, 1938.

Alphonse L. Van Den Kerckho-
ven, late of Bethel, deceased; Eu-
gene A. Van Den Kerckhoven of
Bethel, administrator with bond.

Feb. 23, 1938.

Willard H. Mason, otherwise
known as W. H. Mason, late of
Bethel, deceased; Bertha T. Mason
of Bethel, executrix without bond.

March 15, 1938.

Silas F. Peaslee, late of Upton,
deceased; Ellery C. Park of Bethel,
executor with bond, March 15, 1938.

Hair Distinguishes Race
Hair is the safest test in distin-
guishing race.

Delicate Hairs on Some Plants Capture Insects

The Venus Fly Trap is a trapper plant and murderer, notes a writer in the New York Telegram. It is found in swamps and moist places. The leaves are divided into two parts or halves both edged with a row of teeth and nerve hairs. This plant is also provided with a honey-sucker and is so sensitive that the slightest touch on one of these hairs causes the leaf to close immediately. Thus the insect is caught tight in the trap and is absorbed and digested. Then the leaf opens again and waits for the next victim.

The Sun Dew, Dew plant or Drosera, certainly looks delicate and harmless enough. Its leaves are arranged in rosettes and are covered with scarlet tentacles or hairs. At the tip of each is a drop of honey-like fluid which resembles a drop of dew shining and glistening in the sunlight. The insect-attracted by the scent—and also by the color—is soon hopelessly entangled in the sticky tentacles.

These sun dews grow in moist, muddy loam and full sunshine, at times almost floating on the water or attached to water-logged stumps. They can also be grown in greenhouses, but must be kept constantly moist at the roots and exposed to bright light. They are exquisite under a magnifying glass, as are many tiny plants which are never seen to full advantage with the naked eye.

Thus in the plant world we can readily see the "survival of the fittest" being carried out by these carnivorous specimens in their daily struggle for existence.

Benjamin Franklin Won Popularity With French

Benjamin Franklin, born January 17, 1706, of humble parentage, became a foremost philosopher and statesman. But he never lost his simplicity of manner, which, coupled with ready wit, won not only the esteem of Americans, but the hearts of the French when he was sent to Paris to represent his country during the Revolutionary war, writes Leslie Hartley in the Washington Star.

One of 17 children, Franklin was compelled to work at an early age. When only seventeen he ran away from home to Philadelphia, where he married and became the Quaker City's outstanding citizen.

At a practical turn of mind,

Franklin, who was a successful printer and journalist, developed numerous inventions. His philosophy also was practical and his quaint sayings and homely wisdom, published for years in Poor Richard's Almanac, are quoted still.

When the Revolutionary war began in earnest he was sent to France to win the sympathy of that nation for the cause of the Colonies. Not only did he persuade the king to openly aid the Americans, but he won such personal popularity that crowds followed him through the streets. Upon his departure the king presented him with handsome gifts and gave him the use of the queen's litter to bear him to the coast.

Flying Library Serves Isles

Supplying reading matter to the residents of Wake, Midway and other islands along the Pacific air line has been simplified by inauguration of a flying library service. When the Pan American clipper planes take off from Honolulu, packages of books are on board, each consigned to one of the islands. The Honolulu public library is in charge of the service. The books are kept in circulation by moving them from one island to another until the entire route has been covered. — Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Beginning of Chancery Courts
Chancery courts developed in England in the Fifteenth century. The fees of the common law courts were high and corruption and oppression were frequent. The king's chancellor then offered new writs on occasion and acted where the common law court had failed or was helpless. From this practice grew the courts of chancery and equity jurisprudence which remedy wrongs which cannot be compensated for in courts of law.

Black Walnut Tree Held Fine for Shade and Beauty

Aside from the rich, fine-flavored nuts it bears, the hardy, long-lived black walnut (*Juglans nigra*) is a most desirable ornamental tree—for shade, for planting along driveways or roadsides, or as a single specimen in the yard. It makes an excellent effect when grouped with other hardwoods, observes a writer in the New York Times.

This strikingly handsome tree reaches a height of from 50 to 100

TEST, TEST AND TEST



AMERICAN industry, according to Consumers Information, surpasses that of any other country in its exact methods of testing products and so assuring maximum performance before passing them on to the user. One company reports, for instance, that 25% of its labor and cost of production goes into testing. Above are

shown tests of two of the 600 different operations which go into the manufacture of their vacuum cleaners. The young lady is balancing the fan, an intricate job in which she puts tiny drops of solder on the light side until the balance is perfect. Inset, operator testing air passage, suction power and wattage, on a government test-block.

The young black walnut may be obtained from nurseries, but it may be easily propagated from the nuts, the best results coming from those planted as soon as they ripen in the autumn. The nuts should be planted about two inches deep. If the seedlings are grown in a garden, they should be transplanted when a year old to a spot where they will have sunshine.

How Ethan Allen Became Famous as a War Leader

In the gray of the morning of May 10, 1775, a handful of patriotic Americans—the Green Mountain

Boys—arrived on the shore of Lake Champlain, after a march from Bennington, Vt. Their leader was Ethan Allen. They appropriated boats, rowed across the foot of the lakes and took the British garrison at Fort Ticonderoga completely by surprise. A sentry fired at Allen, but missed him. The leader of the Americans met the British commandant, one Captain La Place, at the door of the barracks occupied by the latter, demanding immediate surrender of the fort.

"By what authority do you make this bold demand?" asked the captain.

"By what authority!" thundered Allen, "I demand it, sir, in the name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress."

It was by this daring act and these immortal words, observes a writer in the Chicago Tribune, that the leader of the Green Mountain Boys became famous. Later in the war he was captured by the British, taken to England, brought back to America, and finally exchanged. He visited Washington at Valley Forge, and was honored in his home town, Bennington, with a salute of 14 guns. He died February 11, 1789, aged fifty-two years, one month, and one day.

Duties of British Ruler

The duties of the British ruler are largely ceremonial, the actual ruler being the Prime Minister supported by Parliament. He makes numerous public addresses, presides at receptions, inspects troops, visits various exhibitions, etc. He opens Parliament with a speech prepared for him by his ministers. As Whitaker's Almanac says: "The King has a right to veto bills passed by both Houses of Parliament, but in practice his veto is almost obsolete." His refusal to sign a bill passed by Parliament would lead to a constitutional crisis.

Ship Medical Officer Busy

Aboard ship the medical officer and his corps are a regular board of health, says a writer in Hygeia, the Health Magazine. They inspect fresh food as it comes aboard; assure the sanitary preservation and preparation of food; check the weekly menus of the crew; verify the heating, ventilation and lighting of living compartments; take necessary precautions against parasitic skin disease, and direct the campaign against flies, bedbugs and cockroaches.

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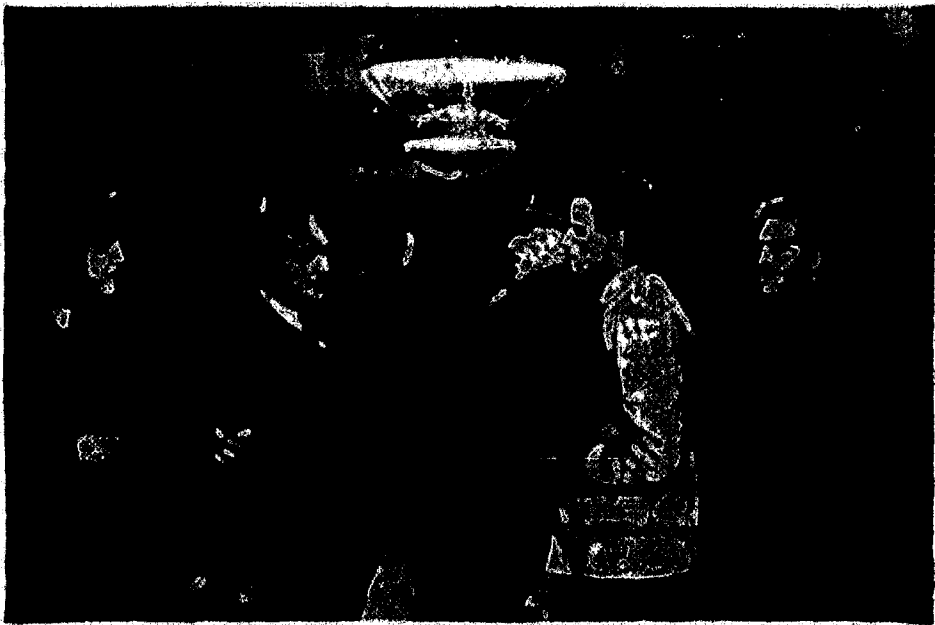
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WHAT HAS HAPPENED BEFORE
 Young Bill Jordan is sent to
 prison for ten years when he ac-
 cidentally kills a man during a
 night club brawl. For six years
 he works in the prison juke mill,
 his morale breaking down bit by
 bit. He is on the verge of col-
 lapse when Tom Mathews, the
 district attorney who sent him
 up, is appointed warden of the
 prison. On recommendation of
 the prison doctor, Mathews sees
 Bill and recognizes him. Bill
 meanwhile, has seen Healy's
 daughter, Elizabeth, and fallen
 in love with her. Mathews trans-
 fers the boy from the juke mill
 and makes him the warden's
 chauffeur. Three months of asso-
 ciation with Elizabeth work won-
 ders on Bill and Mathews is
 quietly working to get him a par-
 don. There is a prison break, one
 of the convicts squeals and an-
 other is killed. Mathews takes the
 squealer into his office to protect
 him from the other prisoners. The
 men stage a riot and while it is
 in progress Runch, the squealer,
 is killed. Bill volunteers the mur-
 der but he refuses to talk, choos-
 ing rather to abide by the code
 of the convicts. Mathews pleads
 and cajoles to no avail and finally
 sends him to solitary for a week.
 Elizabeth, who has been away
 on a visit, returns and
 hears of Bill's plight. She asks
 her father to help him and, when
 the warden says he's through,
 she confesses that she is in love
 with him.

Mathews sighed and patted her
 shoulder. "No, I guess you can't," he
 said. He smiled briefly. "I guess
 that's one thing the law doesn't
 cover."
 "What—what will you do?"
 Elizabeth asked.
 Mathews took her in his arms and
 hugged her. "Sweetheart," he said,
 "I'd turn the demons out of hell
 for you." He kissed her on the fore-
 head and then he turned to the
 phone. "Find Captain Grady," he
 ordered. "Tell him to bring Jordan
 to my office right away."
 In the prison mess room one of
 the prisoners sidled up to Hawkins,
 the man who had killed Runch.
 "I'm scared about the Jordan kid,"
 the prisoner whispered. "Chuck
 smuggled a knife to him in his
 bread and water today. No tellin'
 what he might do with it."
 Hawkins' jaw set firmly. "The
 kid's up for parole," he muttered.
 "He's played square with me and I
 ain't gonna let him take this rap."
 He turned, walked up to a guard
 and whistled him around. "I don't
 like you," he said, and he knocked
 the guard to the ground.
 Two other guards rushed up and
 grabbed him. "That means solitary
 for you, mister," one of them said.
 "That suits me," Hawkins grin-
 ned. "Let's go."
 A moment or two later the phone
 in the warden's office rang insist-
 ently. "Gun fight in the dungeon,
 sir," was the message. Mathews
 sprang from his desk and started
 for the door. "You stay here, honey,"
 he said. "There's been some trouble.
 I'll be right back."



"I'm gonna make this one a double-header, warden."
 (Posed by Walter Connolly, Robert Barrat, Mary Lawrence
 and John Howard.)

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
Chapter Five

"How long has this been going
 on?" Mathews asked.
 "It hasn't been going on at all,"
 Elizabeth said. "He has never said
 a word to me—but I know he
 loves me, too, Dad."
 "That's one reason why I went
 away," Elizabeth continued, "to be
 sure I was right. Well, I am. I love
 him. Dad, I can't help it."

East Bethel

A beano party was held at the
 hall by the Farm Bureau Saturday
 evening. Mrs. Agnes Haines and
 Guy Bartlett held high scores, Mr.
 and Mrs. Clifford Bickford low
 scores for the evening. Refresh-
 ments were served.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hastings,
 Mrs. J. C. Bartlett and Mrs. H. J.
 Tyler left Monday for Orono, where
 they will attend Farm and Home
 Week at U. of M.
 Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bickford
 and son Bruce of Lisbon Falls ar-
 rived Saturday and are spending
 this week at H. D. Hastings during
 the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Has-
 tings.
 Miss Alta Brooks spent the week
 end with relatives in Newry.
 Mrs. Floribel Stevens and son
 Lendall went to their home in Po-
 land Friday. Lendall spent his vaca-
 tion here at the home of John
 Howe.
 H. O. Blake remains quite ill.
 His nephew, Harry Blake of Mal-
 den, Mass., was a visitor in town
 over the week end.
 Earl Brooks is attending school
 in this community for a while.

South Bethel

Vinton Tibbets and wife were in
 Lewiston Monday to get their son,
 who has been in the C. M. G. Hos-
 pital seven weeks with a broken
 leg.
 Mike Briggs of West Paris called
 on Augustus Dolano Saturday.
 John Swan has moved his family
 from the Tibbets rent to the farm
 of Herbert Mason in Greenwood.
 Mrs. Gladys Tyler and son of
 East Bethel visited with her son,
 Leonard Tyler, one day this week.
 Augustus Dolano is working for
 Frank Brooks, hauling rayon wood.
 Lester Swan and family were
 making calls in this place Friday.
 Herbert Tift was in Rumford
 Friday on business.
 Lauri Immonen of West Paris
 was in this place on business Tues-
 day.
 Lewis Verrill and friend were
 here Sunday.
 Mrs. Jack French of North Nor-
 way visited with her sister, Mrs.
 Ota Tift, one day this week.
 Eva Tyler, who was at the C. M.
 G. Hospital for two weeks, has re-
 turned to her home here.

Bryant Pond

The Daughters of Union Veter-
 ans met Tuesday, March 22, and
 Wednesday evening, March 23,
 the Cowboy Caravan and Curley
 and his Country Boys were here at
 the Gymnasium. 630 tickets were
 sold and others were turned away
 as there was no room in the Gym.
 They also had an amateur program
 and several towns took part in it.
 Bethel got first prize, Bryant Pond
 second prize (Mrs. Sylvia Cum-
 mings, West Paris third prize
 (Shirley Perham). It all was very
 fine and the Cowboy Caravan plans
 to come again in April.

Friday evening, March 25th, 15
 members of Judith Grover Tent,
 No. 17, Daughters of Union Veter-
 ans, of Bryant Pond, were invited
 to the Norway Tent. A fine supper
 was given before the meeting and
 three members joined the Norway
 Tent. A fine time was enjoyed by
 all. Those who went were Mrs. Sad-
 die Lakeway, Mrs. Harriett Far-
 num, Mrs. John Brown, Mrs. Mil-
 dred Dunham, Mrs. Rita DeShon,
 Mrs. Bessie Andrews, Mrs. Ruth
 Dunham, Mrs. Beatrice Farnum,
 Miss Alice Andrews, Mrs. Inez
 Whitman, Mrs. Verna Swan, Misses
 Edith and Clara Whitman, and Miss
 Iva Ring. Arthur Andrews, Theo-
 dore Dunham, Arthur Farrington
 and Volney Lakeway accompanied
 them to Norway and went to the
 movies while the ladies went to
 the meeting.

Raymond Dunham has been very
 sick with asthma but is more com-
 fortable at present.

Miss Thelma McKillop has had
 an abscess in her mouth but is
 better.

Mrs. Edith Abbott went to her
 home Monday night. She has been
 at the home of her sister, Mrs. El-
 sie Cole, since her return from the
 hospital.

Mrs. Annie Cole, while filling her
 hot water bottle, became dizzy and
 fell last week. She was burned by
 the hot water and is now in bed.

Miss Priscilla York, who has
 been staying at the home of Mr.
 and Mrs. Yates, is helping care for
 Mrs. Cole.

Mrs. Robert Crockett went to
 Portland Sunday night to see her
 mother, who is in a hospital there,
 and then she will go to Orono.

Miss Grace Brooks of Island
 Pond, Vt., is visiting at the home
 of her grandmother, Mrs. Adide
 Noyes, and other relatives.

Billy Emery of Portland, who
 also been visiting his grandmoth-
 er, Mrs. Noyes, has returned to his
 home in Portland.

Mrs. Theresa Given of Richmond
 and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown,
 Norway, who have been here with
 their aunt, Mrs. Emma Whitman,
 have gone home.

Mrs. Nellie Sweett, who has been
 caring for Mrs. Emma Whitman
 until her death, has returned home.

Mrs. Mildred Evans has gone to
 Portland to work.

South Albany

Mrs. Robert Hill went to Boston,
 Mass., Saturday visiting her daugh-
 ter and other relatives.

Ivan Kimball was a guest at
 Hugh Little's Saturday evening.

Sherman Allen was in Fryeburg
 on business one day last week.

The roads are very rough and
 muddy in this locality.

About six inches of snow fell in
 this neighborhood Saturday night.

Leon and Ivan Kimball are mak-
 ing maple syrup.

Nearly everyone has finished
 their work in the woods.

Raymond Langway is working
 for Roy Lord on the road.

Mrs. Anna Fiske entertained a
 party of friends and relatives from
 South Paris last Friday.

Mrs. Mona Littlefield has return-
 ed home after caring for Mrs. Ma-
 tion Grover and baby daughter.

The northern lights were very
 beautiful Thursday and Friday
 nights.

West Greenwood
 J. H. Deegan has moved home
 from Shelburne, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Sheehy of
 Lewiston called at Paul Croteau's
 March 20.

Mrs. Leon Cash of Albany was a
 caller in town one day last week.

Willie Hadakin is working in Al-
 bany.

Mrs. Paul Croteau and son Solon
 called on relatives in West Bethel
 Monday.

West Bethel

Mrs. Carmelo Onofrio and little
 daughter Christina from Andover
 were guests of her parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. Carlton Saunders one day last
 week.

Mrs. Ernest Luxton is still very
 ill at this writing.

Mrs. Lydia Westleigh spent last
 week with her son James Westleigh.
 She is at present with her daughter
 Mrs. Ed Mason.

George Luxton and Kenneth
 Lovejoy were in Auburn one day
 last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Abbott and
 daughters Joyce and Marylene also
 Mrs. Clara Abbott were week end
 guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Ab-
 bott in South Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Saunders
 and family were in Andover Sun-
 day.

Miss Esther Mason from Norway
 spent the week end with her pa-
 rents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mason.

C. M. Bennett was in Portland
 Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Verrill and
 daughter Ernestine from Provid-
 ence, R. I., were guests of Rev.
 and Mrs. Alton Verrill and son
 family Monday and Tuesday.

Rev. Alton Verrill and son Leon
 were in Bryant Pond Tuesday.

Milton

Mrs. Ella Dyer's sister and two
 children from Sanford were week
 end guests.

Harry Billings worked for Albert
 Russ last week.

Roland Lord was home from Asa
 Sessions' camp over the week end.
 Clara Jackson is at her home
 for a two weeks vacation.

Edith Jackson, who suffered an
 ill turn last week, is able to sit up
 for a short time.

Over three inches of snow fell
 on Saturday night.

Howard Thornton is home from
 the woods, where he has finished
 work.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs.
 L. A. Buck last week.

Vern Jackson and his mother
 were Sunday callers at her grand-
 son's, Lawrence Clifford's, in Rum-
 ford.

Lester Swan and family are mov-
 ing back to their home in Wood-
 stock.

Earl Buck is soon to move to
 West Paris.

Rowe Hill—Greenwood

Several from here attended the
 Cowboy Caravan show at Bryant
 Pond Wednesday night. Glenp Mar-
 tin entered the amateur contest and
 made a good showing.

Ray Hanson, Winfred Bryant
 Albert Ring went to Bethel to the
 pictures Friday night.

Wilmer Bryant was at West Paris
 with Harry Day Friday night.
 He was also at Norway and Bethel
 on business last week.

The roads here are very muddy.
 Everett Howe, the mail man, was
 stuck for an hour below Mont
 Brooks' Thursday.

Theodore Dunham and Joe Far-
 num of Bryant Pond and Mr. and
 Mrs. Edgar Dunham of Locke Mills
 called at Elton Dunham's Sunday.

Several trees tapped in the neigh-
 borhood but the yield is not very
 large.

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West Paris

Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes will take
 for her subject at the Universalist
 Church Sunday morning "Self Con-
 trol."

Eleven members of the Good Will
 Society enjoyed an all day session
 with mystery packages on sale
 Thursday, March 24, at the home
 of Rev. E. B. Forbes.

The Bates Literary Club will
 meet Friday afternoon at the home
 of Mrs. Ethel Penley. Topic will be
 Germany.

Famous German Operas—Mrs.
 Dana Grover.

Where the Bible Characters Live
 again—Rev. E. B. Forbes.

Renascent German—Mrs. Perley
 Ellingwood

Rediscovering the Rhine Pictures
 Rev. James Kirkpatrick of South
 Paris will be the speaker at the
 Union Lenten Service at the M. E.
 Chapel next Sunday evening.

The Felix 4-H Club held its se-
 cond meeting on March 19 at the
 home of Miss Myrtle Emery. Games
 were played and refreshments serv-
 ed. The next meeting will be held
 April 2 at 2 p. m. at Mrs. Emery's
 home.

Funeral services for William
 Kelleo were held on Wednesday
 afternoon at I. W. Andrews funeral
 home. The interment was in the
 Finnish Cemetery at West Paris.

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When Signs Fail

By VIVA STINGEL ELDRIDGE
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JIM HARDY'S dual personality gave him a great deal of trouble. His sturdy common sense was ever at war with the fanciful, imaginative side that believed in signs and yielded so readily to the guidance of "hunches." A "hunch" had taken him into the curio shop where he had purchased the tiny, blue-green lucky stone that he believed had influenced his first big sale, and what was more important, an introduction to delicate, elusive Sophie Adams. Since that day Jim's business had prospered, but so far as Sophie was concerned, the lucky stone seemed to be unable to do more than effect a casual friendship, and Jim was unsatisfied.

Now, as he stood balancing the lucky stone in his fingers, his fancy was busy with something he had read concerning old love signs: "If a girl can be induced to sew a button on a man's garment she will be married to him within a year."

At dinner Jim's manner was so preoccupied that his mother interrupted her discussion of the repairs being made on the house to inquire anxiously: "You're not sick, are you, Jim?"

Jim's eyes lifted slowly from the sugar-bowl he had been earnestly regarding. "Why, no, mother, of course not."

Mumbling a word to his mother about seeing some of the crowd, he took his hat and started out, approaching the door with caution that he might see the new moon over his shoulder without glass intervening

to spoil his luck. This accomplished in the approved manner, he proceeded on his way.

From Sophie's home issued gay voices. "Company, Sophie?" Jim inquired foolishly, in the face of the noise.

"Oh, the crowd just dropped in," Sophie, who for the moment was alone on the porch, answered in her high, sweet voice.

The whirring of the telephone broke the silence he was dumbly trying to grope through. Sophie ran in to answer it. Left alone, Jim pulled out his knife, cut a button off his coat and dropped it behind the hammock.

Sophie's voice saying good-by caused Jim's throat to tighten. He wondered if, when she sewed the button on, she would hear his heart thumping. In a queer shaky voice he addressed the shadowy figure in the doorway.

"Could you—will you—" He swallowed painfully and began again. "I've lost a button off my coat, Sophie. Will you please sew it on?" He pretended to search through his pockets.

"Of course, Jim. Give it to me." A cool, capable voice, three notes lower than Sophie's answered.

"Oh, it doesn't matter. Marion," Jim protested, panic stricken. "Never mind." But Marion took the button from his limp fingers and ran in for a needle. When she returned some of the crowd followed her.

"Quite domestic, aren't they?" Bob Stuart remarked. Jim scowled

fiercely.

Sophie had joined them when Betty Young asked teasingly, "Haven't I read somewhere that if a girl sews on a button for a man she will be married to him within a year?"

As the days went by the situation deepened. It was taken as a matter of course that Jim should be Marion's escort. Kicking his way homeward one evening after bidding her goodnight, Jim took his lucky stone from his pocket and threw it away. He walked up the path leading to his home, and, forgetting entirely his mother's warning not to use the side door, strode belligerently under the ladder that was leaning there—and walked off into nothingness.

A broken leg kept him in bed where he had plenty of time to think about signs—and other things.

His mind was dwelling on Sophie's starshine one morning when Mrs. Hardy brought her to Jim's bedside.

"Here's the button you dropped behind our hammock, that last night you were at our house, Jim." A faint smile curved her lips.

The color mounted swiftly in his pale face. "Do you—know, Sophie, why I cut it off?"

"Yes," she answered softly, "but I don't believe in signs."

"Neither do I, now," Jim answered. "I threw away my lucky stone—and walked under a ladder and—" his heart was in his eyes, "see what luck it brought me."

Fish Scales Give Pearly Sheen
"Essence d'orient," the brilliant coating obtained from the scales of certain fish, is used to give plastic a pearly sheen, says Industrial and Engineering Chemistry. The particles are colorless, nearly transparent, extremely small, and possess a beautiful luster. When suspended in a protective colloid, such as a pyroxilin dispersion, the brilliancy is permanent.

Three-Toed Sloth Defenseless
The three-toed sloth, of the tropical forests of the New World, is about the most defenseless creature in existence. It is poorly equipped to combat any enemy. It doesn't fight, hide or run away. It is an example of perpetual laziness and spends most of its time, when not eating leaves, hanging down from a tree branch grasped firmly by the three toes on each foot.

Strength of a Lion
Naturalists have seen a lion leap over a nine-foot wall with a calf in its mouth, honeybees extinguish the flame of a candle with the breeze created by their wings, and a secretary bird, four feet high, kill a venomous snake with one blow of its foot.—Collier's Weekly.

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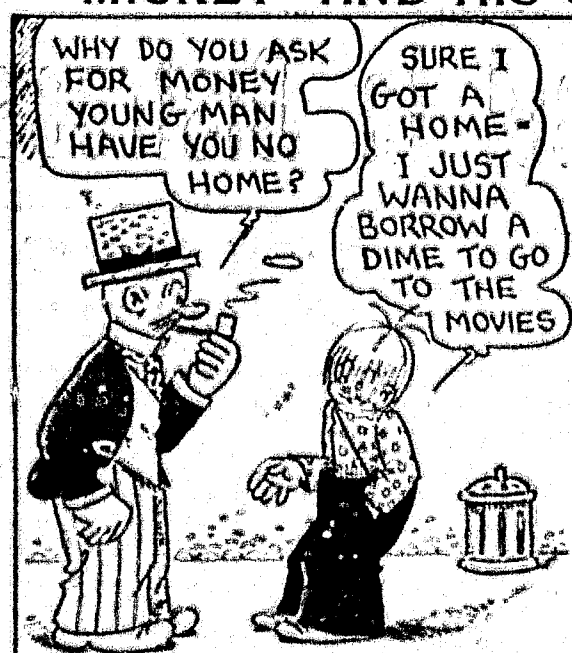
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MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Maternity cases to care for in my home. Would take other cases, also. Box 226 or Phone 14-13, Bethel. 12p

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LIST REAL ESTATE. Sale—Lease—Exchange. Gerard S. Williams, Licensed Real Estate Broker. 47tf

Firearms, Ammunition, and Traps—Supplies bought, sold, and exchanged by H. I. BEAN, Bethel, Maine. Dealer in Raw Furs, Deer Skins, Hides and Pelts. 21f

Farmers in Bethel and vicinity interested in growing string beans for the Portland Packing Co. communicate with GUY BARTLETT, Tel. 23-8, Bethel. 14

Will becher Friday, April 1. G. D. MORRILL, West Bethel. 13p

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Herbert T. Wallace, Minister
9:30 a. m. Sunday School.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. The service will be conducted by Rev. Rodney W. Roundy, Superintendent of the Congregational-Christian conference of Maine.

There will be no meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship.

In the absence of the minister, on vacation, it is hoped that the members of the congregation, in courtesy to the superintendent of the conference and in loyalty to their church, will attend the morning service in large numbers.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. P. J. Clifford, Minister
9:45 a. m. Church School

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon subject, "The Greatest Compulsion."

6:30 p. m. Epworth League.

7:30 Postponed meeting of the Official Board.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Sermon Sunday morning at 10:45 "Unreality" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 3.

The Golden Text is: "The world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever" (1 John 2:17).

The citations from the Bible include the following passages: "Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty; but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor" (Leviticus 19:15).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes selections from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy.

Testimonial meetings at 7:30 p. m. on the second Wednesday of each month until May.

BORN

In Bethel, March 28, to the wife of Niles Kellogg, a son.

West Bethel School
Those receiving 100% in Spelling for the week ending March 25 are Hester Knudsen, Winifred Skiff, Hope Lindsay Dorsey, Albert Smith, Ruth M. Tonta.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. Ada Mills has finished work at F. E. Hanscom's.

Freddie Moore, Rumford, spent the week end at Guy Vail's.

Mrs. Sadie Allen is getting ready to open her restaurant soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Childs are entertaining Mr. Childs' mother.

Raymond Irwin of Rumford was a week end guest at F. A. Hunt's.

Miss Eva Ladd is spending a week's vacation at her home here.

Mrs. Leroy Brown and Miss Arlene Brown were in Rumford Wednesday.

Rodney Eames visited his brother, Harold Eames, at Berlin this week.

Miss Virginia Lowe of Randolph, N. H., is a guest this week at Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brooks'.

Mrs. Ruth Parsons and daughter of Norway are visiting at her brother's, Ernest Brinck's.

Mrs. Virgie MacMillan and daughters were recent guests of Mrs. Ralph Richardson of Norway.

Mrs. Lucetta Poland, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fossett, has returned to her home in Bristol.

The Rusty Reuben Boys are booked for afternoon and evening performances at Odeon Hall on May 21.

Ordell Anderson left the first of the week to enter the Joseph H. Pratt Diagnostic Hospital for observation.

Mrs. D. C. Philbrook returned to her home Saturday after a visit with her daughter and family in Amesbury, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith and Everett Faulkingham of Cambridge, Mass., were visitors at Mrs. J. B. Chapman's last week.

Curatio Parker has returned to Clyde Brooks'. He has been spending several weeks with his son, Elmer Parker, North Livermore.

Mrs. Emma Van Den Kerckhoven and Miss Lucia Van Den Kerckhoven have returned from a visit with Mrs. Grace Macfarlane in Newmarket, N. H.

The silver tea for the Junior Guild given at Mrs. Sayles' last Thursday was a very attractive occasion. It was well patronized. About 40 attended.

Miss Rosalind Rowe, Miss Barbara Moore, O'Neil Robertson, Dale Thurston and John Twaddle are among those spending school recesses at their homes in town.

The American Legion Auxiliary have postponed their card party until May 5 with the following committee in charge: Mrs. Adelino Fish, Mrs. Olive Lurvey, Mrs. Marjorie McAllister, Mrs. Mary Moore, and Mrs. Frances Bennett.

Purity Robekah Lodge of Rumford will confer the degree on candidates at the meeting of Sunset Robekah Lodge next Monday evening.

Joanne Colburn of Bangor, warden of the Robekah Assembly of Maine, will be a special guest.

The Girl Scout court of honor met at the home of Mrs. Marion O'Brien Saturday afternoon and planned the meetings for April.

The meetings will include a round table discussion, studying tests, handicraft and decorating for the Girl Scout fair.

A meeting of the Girl Scout troop committee was held at the home of Mrs. Patrick O'Brien Tuesday afternoon. Plans for the Girl Scout fair to be held the last of April were discussed and it was decided that the troop committee will have charge of the food table.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church held a social in the dining room Friday evening. The Young People's Society of Newry and Upton with Rev. John Mantor were guests. There were 40 present. Games were in charge of Miss Lydia Norton and Miss Arlene Brown. Refreshments were served by Miss Madelyn Bird and Miss Madeleine Hall.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS TOWN OF BETHEL

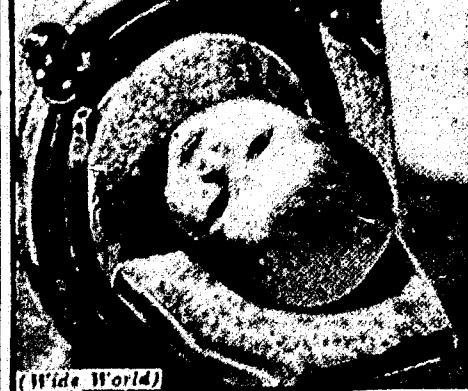
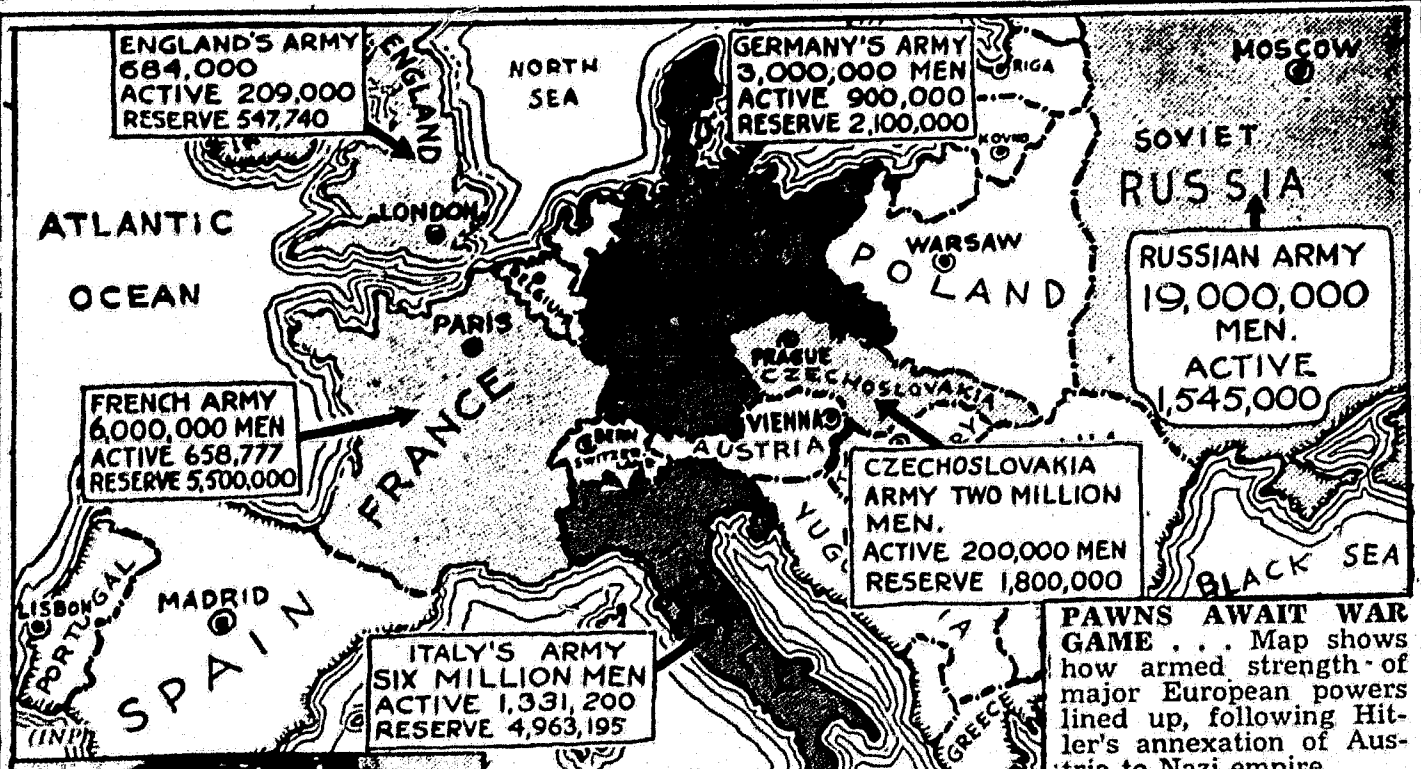
Sec. 158 Chap. 5 of the Revised Statutes amended April 17, 1937 provides that,

"On or before the first day of April of each year, the owner or keeper of any dog six months old or over shall apply to the city or town clerk * * * for a license for each such dog owned or kept by him."

"Owner or keeper of any dog over six months old must procure above license annually before April 1 (unlicensed dogs procured after April 1 must be licensed for penalty of ten dollars.)"

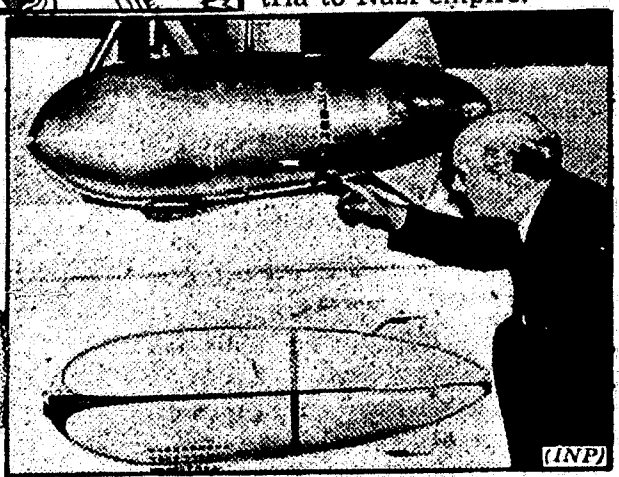
Allice J. Brooks Town Clerk

People and Spots in the Late News



YOUNGEST "IRON LUNG" PATIENT... Physicians believed crisis was past for tiny Raymond Alexander, Jr., son of Atlanta, Tex., farmer, failing to breathe for 20 minutes after Caesarian birth, he was rushed to respirator and soon uttered first faint cry.

FISHERMAN'S LUCK... A pretty catch is Miss Rennes Neilson of Chicago, (below) who showed what well-appointed feminine Isaak Walton will wear, as she fished off dock of Whitehall in Palm Beach, Fla.



DIRIGIBLE LEAD FOR U. S.?... Shortly after the Washington controversy over further military airship development, dirigible builders exhibited model of super-safety ship literally "built around engines," which they predict will bring U. S. lighter-than-air supremacy.



RECORD-BREAKING SMILES... After congratulating Ralph Flanagan for smashing 500-meter mark over 20-yard course at Miami-Biltmore pool in Florida, pretty Katherine Rawls set new 50-yard breaststroke record for long course.



MANGANESE CRISIS FACED... As looming foreign wars awakened Washington to threatened shortage of this mineral used to harden steel, Rep. Francis Case (S.D.) and Senators James Murray (Mont.) and John Miller (Ark.) led legislation drive to encourage domestic manganese industry.



Mrs. G. L. Thurston is on a trip to California.

The Townsend Club met at the home of Mrs. Wallace Clark Friday evening with an attendance of 17. The program included a roll call of quotations and several articles read by Durward Mason.

The Ladies Aid sponsored a lunch party at the home of Mrs. Anna Bartlett Tuesday evening. Prizes for high score went to Mrs. Thomas LaRue and Dwight Morrill. Miss Mary Lowe and Roger Foster received the consolation prizes.

Captains of tables were Mrs. Maud Bean, Mrs. Lottie Bartlett, Mrs. Mabel Greenleaf, Mrs. Marie Davis, Mrs. Bernice Spearin, Mrs. Carrie Morrill, Mrs. Beatrice Foster, and Mrs. Esther Brown. There were 12 tables playing.

Largest Bird Family
Finches form the world's largest bird family, with more than 1,200 species and sub-species. To this family belong such groups as the grosbeaks, sparrows and buntings.

Black Ducks Are Wise
Black ducks know how to avoid enemies. Their nests, well camouflaged with weeds and hidden in swamps or brush, can be found only by accident. Parent ducks keep their young huddled close on reedy swamps, rarely venture on open water. They fly at night, feed generally at dawn and dusk. When danger nears, they fly to the middle of a river or lake, or leave the vicinity entirely.

Flower of Day
Anemone is regarded by the Chinese as the flower of day. The early Romans used Anemones as a cure for malarial fever. In the Holy Land, the Anemone is called "the blood drops of Christ" because blood fell upon the plants which sprung up around the cross on Calvary on the evening of the crucifixion. Anemones were supposed to have retained their red color from that time on.

ODEON HALL, Bethel

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Friday-Saturday, April 1-2

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APRIL 5

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